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The deaths from phthisis were 7; bronchitis, pneumonia and pleurisy, 16; heart disease, 8; from injuries, 4; cancer, 6.

The notifications of infectious diseases are 38 :— viz. : Scarlet fever, 21 ; enteric fever, 9 ; erysipelas, 6 ; diphtheria, 2.

The deaths from zymotic diseases were 4 ; from enteric fever, 2 ; and scarlet fever, 2.

The nuisances inspected and abated during the year were 121.

The principal causes were houses disinfected, lime whited, re-papered, and floors cleansed after infectious diseases, cesspools and privies full and overflowing, drains not trapped or blocked and overflowing, sink drains not properly trapped and overflowing, defective rain water gutter, want of ventilation to drains, and sewage improperly deposited on the land.

Where the water was impure in wells, the Company's was laid on or tube wells driven. The water supply in some cases was cut off temporarily by the frost bursting the pipes. Fish offal was deposited in a manure heap, causing a serious nuisance when removed. A closed vessel to receive the offal was provided. Also accumulations of manure ; manure brought from London by trucks to be carefully removed and deodorised, and pigs and pigstyes kept in an unclean state, and want of efficient drainage.

On the 9th January, in consequence of the prevalence of scarlet fever, I recommended the postponement of the re-assembling of the public schools for a time, and on the 27th February the special trained nurse, who exclusively visited the scarlet fever cases, was liberated to return to the institution she was engaged from.

On the 27th March, Mr. Watson and I inspected two cottages in Thames Street, which I condemned under the "Housing of the Working Classes' Act." They were subsequently put into habitable repair to the satisfaction of the Council.

We also visited the Lodging House in London Road, which was condemned last year, and is still closed, nothing having been done to remedy the defects, or rather to rebuild the place ; also other cottages in London Road and Mill Mead.

In carefully considering the special forms of report suggested by the Middlesex County Council, I have in the Annual Reports always embodied much of the information suggested. In larger Urban Districts with a dense population, I should think most of the other details would be more available.

I have now, perhaps, come to the most important item, which has so often been under consideration. There is no hospital for the isolation of any infectious disease. I can only suggest fresh evidence of its necessity by alluding to the great prevalence of such diseases this year — 38 in all. The advantage to such patients being treated by skilled nurses in a building properly warmed, ventilated, and with plenty of cubic space and suitable diet, speaks for itself. Also fixed appliances for disinfecting clothes and bedding by best-known means.

During the month of January, the river Thames was in a state of flood, being 4 feet at its highest on the 23rd.

I remain, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

ALBERT CURTIS.

14th February, 1896.

NOTIFICATION

OF

INFECTIOUS DISEASES,

1895.

Date.	Name.	Address.	Disease.	Result.
1895.				
Jan. 3	H.S.	Fairfield Terrace	Scarlet Fever	Recovered
" 6	G.S.	"	"	"
" 8	H.D.S.	Thames Street	"	"
" 10	L.S.	Richmond Road	"	Died
" 15	E.S.	High Street	Typhoid Fever	Recovered
" 16	A.S.	Thames Street	Scarlet Fever	"
" 22	S.J.M.	Edgell Road	"	"
" 23	P.S.	Fairfield Terrace	"	"
" 25	P.S.	Thames Street	"	"
" 25	D.K.	Edgell Road	"	"
Feb. 12	F.H.	Church Street	"	"
" 13	F.H.	"	"	"
Mar. 2	G.R.Y.	Edgell Road	Typhoid Fever	Died
" 2	H.B.	Factory Path	Scarlet Fever	Recovered
" 6	A.E.F.	Richmond Road	"	Died
" 7	E.A.	Factory Path	Typhoid Fever	Recovered
" 12	C.M.F.	Richmond Road	Scarlet Fever	"
" 13	T.N.	Laleham Road	Erysipelas	"
" 20	L.G.	Church Street	Scarlet Fever	"
" 31	J.D.	Laleham Road	"	"
April 8	W.H.P.	Richmond Road	"	"
" 23	L.A.G.	Church Street	"	"
" 25	B.S.	Moor Lane	Typhoid Fever	"
May 17	E.R.	Leacroft	"	"
" 17	M.	Sidney Road	"	"
" 24	J.B.	Wyatt Road	"	Died
June 17	R.Y.	Thames Street	Erysipelas	Recovered
July 17	S.	Guildford Street	"	"
Aug. 24	G.	Factory Path	Typhoid Fever	"
" 26	J.P.	Moor Lane	Erysipelas	"
Sep. 29	P.S.	Wyatt Road	"	"
Oct. 8	C.	New Street	Scarlet Fever	"
" 8	C.	"	"	"
" 8	W.	Staines Moor	Diphtheria	"
" 8	W.	"	"	"
" 28	L.O.	High Street	Scarlet Fever	"
" 28	W.M.	New Street	Erysipelas	"
" 28	C.	"	"	"
Dec. 23	R.M.	Staines Moor	Typhoid Fever	"

ALBERT CURTIS,

Medical Officer of Health.

Table of Deaths during the year 1895, in the Staines Urban District, classified according to Diseases, Ages, and Localities.


NAMES OF LOCALITIES adopted for the purpose of these Statistics ; public institutions being shown as separate localities. (a)	MORTALITY FROM ALL CAUSES, AT SUBJOINED AGES.							(i) Under 5 5upwds. 4 5upwds	MORTALITY FROM SUBJOINED CAUSES, DISTINGUISHING DEATHS OF CHILDREN UNDER FIVE YEARS OF AGE.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																						
	At all ages. (b)	Under 1 year. (c)	1 and under 5 (d)	5 and under 15 (e)	15 and under 25 (f)	25 and under 65 (g)	65 and up- wards (h)		Smallpox.	Scarlatina.	Diphtheria.	Membranous Group.	FEVERS.					Cholera.	Erysipelas.	Measles.	Whooping Cough.	Diarrhoea and Dysentery.	Rheumatic Fever.	Phthisis.	Bronchitis, Pneumonia, and Pleurisy.	Heart Disease.	Cancer.	Injuries.	All Other Diseases.	TOTAL.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																	
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Table of Population, Births, and of New Cases of Infectious Sickness, coming to the knowledge of the Medical Officer of Health, during the year 1895, in the Staines Urban District; classified according to Diseases, Ages and Localities.

NAMES OF LOCALITIES adopted for the purpose of these Statis- tics; Public Institutions being shown as separate localities.	POPULATION AT ALL AGES.			Registered Births. (d)	Aged under 5 or over 5. (e)	NEW CASES OF SICKNESS IN EACH LOCALITY, COMING TO THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.												
	Census 1891. (b)	Estimated to middle of 1895. (c)	FEVERS.					Membranous Croup.	Typhus.	Enteric or Typhoid.	Continued.	Relapsing.	Puerperal.	Cholera.	Erysipelas.	TOTAL.		
			Diphtheria.			Scarlatina.	Diphtheria.											
The Parish of Staines.	5060	5228	150	Under 5 5 upwds.	...	21	...	2	9	6	38	

State here whether "Notification of Infectious Disease" is compulsory in the District. Yes. Since when? 1890. State here the name of the Isolation Hospital used by the sick of the District. Mark (H) the Locality in which such Hospital is situated; and if not within the District, state where it is situated. No such Hospital exists in or out of the District.

aThere is no column for ages in the Notification Forms of Certificates.



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